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March, 1862. n1f

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Special Order—No. 1.

Headquarters 6th Regiment, N. D., K. S. M., Marysville, Kansas, Nov. 28, 1863.

I. Pursuant to orders from Headquarters N. D., K. S. M., the Militia Companies of Marshall, Washington, Republic, and Shirley counties, and Fremont township of Riley county, will meet for drill on the third Thursday of each month hereafter, until further orders. The order for drilling once each week having been rescinded.

II. All persons who fail to organize and drill as above stated will be proceeded against according to law.

III. Captains of Companies will see that this order is enforced.

By order of

E. C. MANNING,

Col. Com'd'g 6th Regt.

Special Order—No. 2.

Headquarters, 6th Regiment, N. D., K. S. M., Marysville, Kansas, Dec. 5, 1863.

I. Lieut. J. D. Brumbaugh is hereby appointed Adjutant of this Regiment.

II. Lieut. E. Punney is hereby appointed Quartermaster of this Regiment.

III. C. J. Lee is hereby appointed Surgeon of this Regiment.

IV. Charles F. Kester is hereby appointed Sergeant Major, and W. T. Dwinell is hereby appointed Quartermaster Sergeant of this Regiment.

These officers will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

E. C. MANNING,

Col. Com'd'g.

HEAD QUARTERS, PROVOST MARSHAL, Northern District of Kansas.

Leavenworth City, Nov. 25, 1863.

Public notice is hereby given that any person enrolled in any sub-district of the Northern District of Kansas, may appear before the Board of Enrollment of said District at the Headquarters of the Provost Marshal, No. 63 Delaware Street, (up stairs), Leavenworth City, Until the 20th day of December 1863,

and claim to have his name stricken off the list, if he can show to the satisfaction of the Board that he is not and will not be at the time fixed for the next draft (January 5th, 1864) liable to military duty, on account of: 1st. Alienage. 2nd. Non Residence. 3d. Unsoundness of Age. 4th. Manifest permanent physical disability. Persons who may be cognizant of any other persons liable to military duty whose names do not appear on the enrollment list, are requested to notify the Board of Enrollment, who will thereupon direct the enrolling officer of the sub-district in which the persons reside to ascertain the facts and enroll the persons so reported, if they are found subject to enrollment. These may also appear and claim to be stricken off the list the same as if they had been originally enrolled.

JAMES McCAHON,

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GRAPE VINES

Sent by Mail.

On receipt of the price I will send Concord, Delaware, Diana, and other hardy Grape-vines roots by mail. They are layered roots from vines propagated in the open air from vines growing in Kansas soil for seven years, and are therefore well acclimated, and will bear one or two years sooner than grape vines propagated from "eyes" in eastern "hot-houses." No fears need be entertained about them failing to grow. Send for a Price-current List, with explanations, &c., enclosing two one-cent stamps.

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PREMIUM ON COUNTY SCRIP.

ALL PERSONS WHO OWED ME PREVIOUS TO January 1st, 1863, can pay me now with County Scrip at ten per cent premium. **PETER GIFT.**

Marysville, August 22, 1863.—n1

Caution.

I, Nancy Schell, wife and agent of Henry Schell, the said Henry Schell being in the U. S. Army, hereby caution all persons against purchasing or trading for a note drawn by Henry Schell in favor of Mathias Devore, dated Nov. 2, 1863, and made payable three months after date, for \$75, and a mortgage on lot 8 in block 79, in town of Palmetto, signed by Henry Schell and Nancy Schell, his wife, to secure the payment of said note, as said note was obtained through fraud and by false representations, by said Devore, and the note will not be paid for want of a consideration.

NANCY SCHELL,

Wife and Agent of Henry Schell.

Marysville, Nov. 28, 1863.

NOTICE TO TRESPASSERS.

Notice is hereby given that hereafter any persons trespassing upon the lands of H. F. McCloskey or James McCloskey, by hauling off down timber or cutting timber will be prosecuted to the extent of the law.

85-3t **J. D. BRUMBAUGH,**

Agent.

Last Notice.

Persons indebted to N. Edwards on book account or notes are requested to call on me and make immediate payment, otherwise I shall place them in the hands of a justice of the Peace for suit.

J. D. BRUMBAUGH.

August 8, 1863.—19

No Childhood.

We talk of Adam and Eve as having been, before the fall, in a very happy condition; but one thing they missed—they never were children! Adam never played "hooky," he never drove a tandem of boys with a string. He never skated on a pond, or played ball, or rode down hill on a hand sled. And Eve, she never made a playhouse; she never took tea with another little girl, from the tea-things; she never rolled a hoop or jumped a rope, or pieced a baby-quilt, or dressed a doll. They never played blind man's buff, or pussy wants a corner or hurly-burly or any of the games with which childhood disports itself. How blank their age must have been within; no memories of early youth came swelling up in their hearts; no visions of childhood floating back from the past; no mother's voice chanting a lullaby to the ear of infancy, in the still hour of night; no father's words of kindness speaking from the churchyard where he sleeps. Adam and Eve, and they scions of all the countless millions of men and women that have ever lived, had no childhood.

Maxims for the Healthy.

Solid aliment thoroughly masticated is far more salutary than soup, broths, &c.

Fat meat, butter, and oily substances of every kind, are difficult of digestion, offensive to the stomach, and tend to derange that organ and induce disease.

Spices, pepper, stimulating and heating condiments of every kind, retard digestion and injure the stomach.

Coffee and tea debilitate the stomach and impair digestion.

Alcohol, whether in the form of distilled spirits, wine, beer, cider, or any other intoxicating liquors, impairs digestion and debilitates the stomach, and if persevered in for a short time, always induce a morbid state of that organ.

Narcotics of every kind impair digestion, debilitate the stomach and tend to disease.

Simple water is the only fluid called for by the wants of the system; artificial drinks are all more or less injurious; some more so than others, but none can claim exemption from the general charge.

Gentle exercise after eating promotes digestion more than indolent inactivity or rest. Violent exercise with a full stomach is injurious.

Sleep, soon after eating retards digestion, and leads to debility and derangement of the stomach.

Anger, fear, grief, and other strong emotions disturb digestion, impair the functional powers of the stomach, and deteriorate the secretions generally.

A TOAD'S TOILET.—Audubon relates that he saw a toad undress himself. He commenced by pressing his elbows hard against his sides and rubbing downwards. After a few smart rubs, his sides began to burst open along his back. He kept on rubbing until he had worked all his skin into folds on his side and hips; then, grasping one hind leg with both hands he hauled off one leg of his pants the same as anybody would, then stripped off the other leg in the same way. He then took his cast off cuticle forward between his fore legs into his mouth, and swallowed as his head came down, he stripped off the skin underneath until it came to his fore legs, and grasping one of those with the opposite hand, by a slight motion of the head, and all the while swallowing, he drew it from the neck and swallowed the whole. That is economy—what is good for the back is good for the belly.

AID FROM A PRISON.—The inmates of the Massachusetts State Prison are manufacturing articles for sale at a Sanitary Fair, to be held in Boston next month. As showing the interest the men feel in the measure the Journal says one man came to the warden and said he was not ingenious and could not make anything, but he would like to give eighteen cents which was in the office belonging to him. Another said he had a gold ring there which he would like to give; another wanted to give a silver watch, and two or three others contributed five dollars each from funds which they had in the warden's hands.

A polite man was once making a voyage on the Danube, when the boat in which he was, sunk. When he was just on the point of drowning, he got his head above the water for a moment, and taking off his hat, said: "Ladies and gentlemen will you please excuse me?" and down he went.

Observe the Rules.

Gentlemen traveling, and all others, who are in the habit of visiting newspaper establishments, would do well to pocket this scrap of paper, as it might be useful to all concerned, as it has been adopted by the "craft," and it is expected the rules will be universally observed:

1. Enter softly.
2. Sit down quietly.
3. Subscribe for the paper.
4. Don't touch the paper.
5. Say nothing interesting.
6. Engage in no controversy.
7. Don't smoke.
8. Keep six feet from the table.
9. Don't talk to the printers.
10. Hands off the papers, and especially the type.
11. Eyes off the manuscript.

Gentlemen observing these rules, when entering a printing office, will greatly oblige the printers, and need not fear the devil.

The ladies, who sometimes bless us with their presence for a few moments, are not expected to keep the rules very strictly, and, indeed it will be very agreeable to us to have them break the ninth rule as often as convenient.

Boys, unless accompanied by their fathers, are requested to keep their hands in their pockets.

Baruum has secured another curiosity, a young female monstrosity, 17 years of age, who has reached the amazing height of eight feet and one inch, and is still growing, tremendous in size and length. Her foot is fifteen inches long, and its width exceeds the length of many a lady's dainty pedestal. The fingers are huge.—An ordinary arm by the side of this lady's looks puny and stunted. Her knee reaches nearly to the hip of a person of ordinary size. She is agreeable and pleasant in manner, quite handsome for one of her size, and well proportioned.

Burgevine, the American leader of the foreign troupe in the Chinese service, has deserted the cause of the Imperialists and gone over to the rebels with about 500 followers, mostly Americans. He also carried off a Chinese steamer. The Imperialists had gained some recent victories, but Burgevine's secession it is feared, would neutralize them. A reward of 300 taels has been offered for the delivery of Burgevine, dead or alive, into the hands of Imperialist officers.

A negro cook in one of the regiments on Morris Island lately conceived the idea of making sinkers for fish lines out of the lead around a Parrott shell. To this end he placed a shell in a stove and sat down, ladle in hand, to catch the molten lead as it fell. Just about the time the lead should have fused, the stove separated into very minute fragments, and the last seen of the smelter was a series of involuntary gymnastics creditable to his agility but unpleasant for their abruptness.

In the District Court held at Topeka last week, Judge Safford presiding, it was decided that our State Liquor Law was unconstitutional because it was not uniform throughout the State in not applying to cities of over one thousand inhabitants.

The same decisions have been made in other Districts.

A case has been taken to the Supreme Court involving the same point.—*Champion.*

Any number of figures you may wish to multiply by 5, will give the same result if divided by 2—a much quicker operation; but you must remember to annex a cipher to the answer where there is no remainder, and where there is a remainder, whatever it may be, to annex a 5 to the answer.—Multiply 468 by 5 and the answer will be 2,340; divide the same number by 2, and you have 234. So with any other number.

Under the provisions of the U. S. Revenue Law, any person paying taxes for a non-resident property-holder, without a United States License, renders himself liable to indictment in the United States District Court. This will prevent the further transaction of this business by those who are not licensed agents.—*Champion.*

Since the commencement of the war we have lost forty-one Generals, most of whom were killed or died of wounds received in battle.

"Better die than be conquered," says the Richmond Whig. As you please, rebels: you pay your money and take your choice.

A Dinner to Mr. Vallandigham.

When Mr. Vallandigham was in Montreal, Mr. Bridges, manager of the Grand Trunk Railway, invited him to a dinner, which is described as an elegant affair. Sixteen persons were present, all distinguished. Mr. Watkins, of London, who was, or is, an Member of Parliament, presided. Mr. Vallandigham, of course, was obliged to make a speech in reply to compliments. His reply was appropriate and guarded. The company considered him as a representative man of the great English principle of freedom of speech and of personal liberty, and all the speeches bore on these points.—*Buffalo Courier.*

We can fancy "Mr. Watkins, of London, Member of Parliament," etc., etc., addressing the great Copperhead in some such terms as these:

"Illustrious Martyr!" We welcome you to British soil. We have read the story of your wrongs; we have heard of your exile by the vulgar 'cassids' at Washington. We recognize you as a co-laborer with us in the work of destroying the accursed American Union. You have been a faithful if not very efficient tool in the hands of the enemies of the Great Republic. You have been an apt echo of the London Times. You have rivalled Roebuck in denunciation of the National Government. You have been a fast friend of our friends the Rebels. You have been an indefatigable opponent of the war for the Union and a zealous champion of the degradation of the North. You have been the advocate of Foreign intervention. You have done your best to make the Government of your Fathers odious in the eyes of the people, and to stir up strife and civil war among your neighbors.

"We recognize you as the exponent of Free Speech. We salute you as the champion of the divine right of the unrestricted Gift of the Gab. It is true, if you were an Englishman and denounced our Government as you denounce your own, you would be 'arbitrarily arrested' as a dangerous character, put on board a convict ship and sent to Australia; but being an American citizen, you have an 'inalienable right' to defame your Government, affiliate with its enemies, and betray your country.

"Go on with the good work you have commenced. Continue your assaults upon the 'petty despots' at Washington.—Strive your utmost to excite civil war at the North. You have the sympathies of every enemy of your country. English Tories will bless you. French Imperialists will back you. Every crowned despot, and every creature of despotism will applaud you. You may rival even that blessed Saint in the Revolutionary Calendar—Benedict Arnold."

Ask a person to think of a number, then tell him to subtract one from that number, now tell him to multiply the remainder by two, then request him again to subtract one, and add to the remainder the number he first thought of and to inform you of the total. When he has done this you must mentally add three to that total, and then divide it by three, and the quotient will be the number first thought of.

The Lawrence bridge across the Kansas river is fast approaching completion. The proprietors are Messrs. Josiah Miller, C. W. Babcock, Edmund Thompson, and Marcus J. Parrott.—*Champion.*

"Glory to de Lord!" exclaimed a snowy headed African, the other day. "Glory to de Lord! I neber expected to lib to see dis day. De white man had to hab pa ass, but de nigger go whar he please widout none! Glory to de Lord!"

About one hundred Potawatomo Indians were "naturalized" at the late session of the U. S. Court at Topeka.

It is affirmed that no less than five attempts at negro insurrection have been made in Georgia since the month of July last.

Seven of the immense siege guns formerly planted on the rebel water batteries at Vicksburg have arrived at St. Louis.

"Villandigham" is the name given to the commander-in-chief of the Copperheads in Ohio.

The convicted gambler in Richmond is to receive forty-nine lashes at the whipping post.

Boiled vinegar taken internally is said to be a sure cure for hydrophobia.

Wind puff up empty bladders; opinion, fools.

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